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PRAVDA: ADMIRAL TURNER WOULD SUIT 'HAWKS'

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(REPORT BY UNNAMED PRAVDA OWN CORRESPONDENT: "CIA DIRECTOR
NOMINATED")

(TEXT) NEW YORK, 8 FEBRUARY--PRESIDENT J. CARTER HAS NOMINATED
ADM S. TURNER, COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF NATO ALLIED ARMED FORCES
IN SOUTHERN EUROPE, FOR THE POST OF CIA DIRECTOR.

A NATO-SCHOOLED PROFESSIONAL MILITARY MAN IS OBVIOUSLY MORE
ACCEPTABLE TO THE "HAWKS" WHO FORCED T. SORENSEN TO DECLINE THE
OFFER OF THE CIA DIRECTORSHIP. THE NEW YORK TIMES NOTES THAT
"THE ADMIRAL DOES NOT HAVE TO FACE THE OBSTACLES WHICH CONFRONTED
SOERSEN." THE CONSERVATIVES DID NOT LIKE SOERSEN'S CRITICAL
REMARKS ABOUT THE CIA'S COVERT OPERATIONS, WHICH FLAGRANTLY
INFRINGED THE SOVEREIGNTY OF FOREIGN STATES.

THE NOMINATION OF A PROFESSIONAL MILITARY MAN TO THE POST OF
CIA DIRECTOR HAS CAUSED A CERTAIN ANXIETY IN THE UNITED STATES
CONCERNING THE MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX' POSSIBLE USE OF
THIS AGENCY FOR ITS OWN ENDS.

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